

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L TEHRAN 02807

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TAGS: PDIP PEPR ETRD GE IR  
SUBJ: DIFFICULTIES EAST GERMANS HAVE BEEN EXPERIENCING  
WITH IRAN

REF: TEHRAN 02293

1. DIFFICULTIES WHICH EAST GERMANS HAVE BEEN EXPERIENCING WITH  
IRAN (REFTEL) ARE BECOMING MORE COMPLEX AND ARE BEING SUBTLY  
EXPLOITED BY WEST GERMANS. NOT ONLY HAVE EAST GERMAN  
TRADE RELATIONS BEEN AFFECTED, BUT ALSO A NUMBER OF POLITICAL  
AND CULTURAL EVENTS AS WELL.

2. PRINCIPAL AMONG THESE HAS BEEN STATE VISIT TO EAST GERMANY  
PLANNED BY SHAH FOR SEPTEMBER OF THIS YEAR. AS OF NOW, VISIT  
HAS BEEN CANCELLED, ALTHOUGH THERE IS OBVIOUSLY TIME TO REINSTATE  
IT SHOULD EAST GERMAN-IRAN RELATIONS BE REPAIRED BY THAT TIME.

3. IN MEANTIME, WEST GERMANS ARE MOVING WITH ILL-CONCEALED  
GLEE TO ENHANCE THEIR ALREADY CLOSE RELATIONS WITH IRAN.  
GERMAN AMBASSADOR TELLS ME IN CONFIDENCE THAT HE HAS  
JUST ARRANGED FOR A STATE VISIT TO IRAN LATER THIS SPRING  
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BY FRG PRESIDENT WALTHER SCHEEL AND HIS WIFE. FROM THE  
IRANIAN POINT OF VIEW, THIS SORT OF EVENT IS OBVIOUSLY  
DESIGNED TO PUT PRESSURE ON EAST GERMANS TO BE MORE FORTH-  
COMING IN ACTIONS AND ASSURANCES DESIGNED TO PREVENT FUTURE  
PROPAGANDA ACTIVITIES IN EAST GERMANY BY IRANIAN DISSIDENT  
ACTIVISTS.  
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